

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following set of claims replaces all prior versions of the claims.

1. (Currently amended) A method of attenuating the transmission or infection of ~~an~~ a human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) ~~into~~ to a cell contacted with an HIV comprising providing to said cell contacted with an HIV an inhibitor of p21, wherein said inhibitor is provided in an amount and duration sufficient to cause an attenuation of at least about 50% in said transmission or infection of said virus relative to an untreated cell, wherein said inhibitor is 2-cyano-3,12-dioxooleana-1,9-dien-28-oic acid (CDDO), di-CDDO; or a salt thereof.

2-12. (Cancelled)

13. (Currently amended) A method of treating AIDS in an individual, comprising providing to HIV-1 infected cells of said individual, or to HIV-1 susceptible cells of such individual, an amount of a p21 inhibitor sufficient to attenuate the propagation of HIV, wherein said inhibitor is provided in an amount and duration sufficient to cause an attenuation of at least 50% in said propagation of HIV relative to untreated cells, wherein said inhibitor is 2-cyano-3,12-dioxooleana-1,9-dien-28-oic acid (CDDO), di-CDDO; or a salt thereof.

14-34. (Cancelled)

35. (New) A method of inhibiting HIV-1 replication in an individual, comprising providing to HIV-1 infected cells of said individual an amount of a p21 inhibitor sufficient to attenuate the propagation of HIV, wherein said inhibitor is provided in an amount and duration sufficient to cause an attenuation of at least 50% in said propagation of HIV relative to untreated cells, wherein said inhibitor is 2-cyano-3,12-dioxooleana-1,9-dien-28-oic acid (CDDO), di-CDDO; or a salt thereof.